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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS

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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: HOSPITALS

1. U.S. FION OF HEALTH CARE CONSULTANTS, GORDON A. FRIESEN INTERNATIONAL HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY TWO ORGANIZATIONS LOCATED IN NIGERIA WITH REFERENCE TO FORMING A PARTNERSHIP TO OBTAIN HOSPITAL WORK. FRIESEN HAS REQUESTED MAJOR PROJECTS ASSISTANCE IN DETERMINING BONA FIDES OF THESE E;TITIES.

--- (A) AMINCI INTERNATIONAL COMPANY LTD., 166 CLIFFORD STREET, YABA, LAGOS, NIGEIA HAS STATED THAT IT HAS --- LETTERS OF INTEREST FROM THE GOVERNMENT COVERING FOUR --- HOSPITALS (ONE PSYCHIATRIC, TWO MILITARY, AND ONE --- GENERAL).

--- (B) MR. AMIKA AMOYE, HEAD OF OBIOURU DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LAGOS IS ALLIED WITH FOUR DOCTORS IN LAGOS --- WHO HAVE ESTABLISHED FAWEHİ ENTERPRISES. THIS GROUP
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--- CLAIMS TO HAVE ALL OR PART OF A TWO MILLION DOLLAR --- HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM FOR NIGERIA.

2. BOTH GROUPS ARE PRESSURING FRIESEN TO MAKE AN IMMEDIATE

TRIP TO LAGOS. BEFORE DOING SO, FRIESEN WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

THE EMBASSY'S GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF THESE TWO ENTITIES.
ARE THEY IMPORTANT, RELIABLE, WELL ESTABLISHED? HAVE
THEY BEEN INVOLVED IN SUCCESSFUL UNDERTAKINGS OF A
SIMILAR NATURE? ABOVE ALL, DO THEY REALLY HAVE
GOVERNMENT LETTERS OF INTEREST OR CONTRACTS FOR THESE
HOSPITALS? ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT THE SAME PROJECT?

3. YOUR EARLIEST ATTENTION TO THIS INQUIRY MOST
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